**From:** Shoemaker, Justin
**To:** Fortin-Noreus, Jennifer
**Cc:** Kasworm, Wayne; Sarah Backsen
**Subject:** Re: FW: 063311 - Concerns about certain decisions regarding the GYE Bears vs other grizzlies in the listing/delisting process
**Date:** Thursday, June 09, 2016 2:35:38 PM

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Looks pretty good, but I don't know if we've fully addressed the concerns about connectivity and sustainable mortality. Is there anything we can add in that regard?

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On Thu, Jun 9, 2016 at 8:50 AM, Fortin-Noreus, Jennifer <jennifer.fortin-noreus@mso.umt.edu> wrote:

> A first draft response letter is attached for your review.
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> **Sent:** Wednesday, June 08, 2016 3:38 PM
> **To:** Fortin-Noreus, Jennifer
> **Cc:** Sarah Backsen; Justin Shoemaker
> **Subject:** Fwd: FW: 063311 - Concerns about certain decisions regarding the GYE Bears vs other grizzlies in the listing/delisting process
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> Jennifer,

Do you have time to put together a rough response to this. I agree with Sarah that the congressman is asking for things we already expect to do such as having completed Forest Plan amendments and State management plans, but could we provide step through outline of our approach with these items prior to a delisting decision.

Sarah and Justin - Jennifer and I are leaving Friday to attend a conference in Anchorage. Also I am busy much of tomorrow with a telemetry flight but will get back in the office late in the day. I will be around part of the day Friday to try and review a draft if Jennifer can give us a start.

Wayne

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http://www.fws.gov/mountain-prairie/species/mammals/grizzly/cabinetarchive.html

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http://www.igbconline.org/index.php/scy-reports

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From: **Backsen, Sarah** <sarah_backsen@fws.gov>
Date: Wed, Jun 8, 2016 at 3:23 PM
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other grizzlies in the listing/delisting process
To: Wayne Kasworm <Wayne_kasworm@fws.gov>, Justin Shoemaker <justin_shoemaker@fws.gov>

Hi Wayne,

Could you work on drafting a response to this letter from Rep. Grijalva? Justin, could you be the RO lead to help Wayne with this? Seems like what he is requesting is fairly consistent with what we plan to do, as I understand it? So we should be able to confirm as much in our response, but let me know if we need to discuss further.

We'll probably need something drafted by early next week I think, in order to get it through surname and to the RD's office by the due date of **June 16th.** Also attached is an example Congressional letter put together by our RO "correspondence team" to help with formatting.

Thanks,

Sarah Backsen (Fierce)

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From: **Nelson, Marjorie** <marjorie_nelson@fws.gov>
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Subject: Re: FW: 063311 - Concerns about certain decisions regarding the GYE Bears vs other grizzlies in the listing/delisting process
To: Annette Naylon <annette_naylon@fws.gov>
Cc: Michael Thabault <michael_thabault@fws.gov>, Nicole Alt <Nicole_Alt@fws.gov>, Sarah Backsen <sarah_backsen@fws.gov>

Sarah (to determine the RO contact and Wayne as the field lead.  Would it also be possible to send Wayne the congressional response template?

thanks,

Marj

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Check out the SSA Framework - Google site for staff at : https://sites.google.com/a/fws.gov/ssa/

On Wed, Jun 8, 2016 at 7:04 AM, Annette Naylon <annette_naylon@fws.gov> wrote:

Good morning,
Please let me know who the lead/POC is.  Thanks

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Please coordinate response and surname through EA.  Due date is 06/16/16 to facilitate routing through the RD's office.

Due:  Signed in RDs office by 6-16-16